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SUBJECT: SWAPO PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL TO NEW DELHI
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REFERENCES: (A) USUN 1092; (B) USUN 1102; (C) USUN 1136;
(D) LUSAKA 1066; (E) USUN 901 (ALL REPEATED NEW DELHI)

1. REFTEL D INDICATES SWAPO PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA WILL
DEPART LUSAKA FOR NEW DELHI MARCH 31, ONE DAY AFTER PRE-
SENTATION TO SWAPO BY CONTACT GROUP OF REVISED SETTLEMENT

PROPOSALS FOR NAMIBIA. ALTHOUGH NUJOMA'S TRAVEL PLANS AND OTHER RECENT EVENTS IN NAMIBIA MAY INDICATE SWAPO DIS-INTEREST IN WESTERN PROPOSAL AS A MEANS TO SOLUTION OF NAMIBIA QUESTION, WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE TO TAKE ALL POSSIBLE MEASURES TO CONVINCE NUJOMA THAT IT WOULD BE IN HIS INTEREST AND THAT OF SWAPO AND NAMIBIAN PEOPLE NOT TO REJECT THE SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL.

2. THEREFORE EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED, TOGETHER WITH OTHER CONTACT GROUP MEMBERS, TO APPROACH GOI AT HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL AND MAKE THE POINTS CONTAINED IN USUN 901, LEAVING SAME WITH GOI IN FORM OF NON-PAPER. IN FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSIONS YOU MAY MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) WESTERN FIVE HAVE DEVOTED INTENSE EFFORT OVER PAST YEAR TO PROMOTE SOLUTION FOR NAMIBIA. WE BELIEVE THAT PROPOSAL

WE HAVE DEVISED IS FAIR AND REASONABLE AND TAKES INTO ACCOUNT INTERESTS AND POSITIONS OF ALL THE PARTIES.

(B) SHOULD OUR PROPOSAL BE REJECTED AND OUR ATTEMPT TO BRING ABOUT NEGOTIATED TRANSITION TO GENUINE MAJORITY RULE FAIL, NO BETTER OPPORTUNITY FOR SOLUTION WILL APPEAR FOR SOME YEARS AND NAMIBIA WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE CONDEMNED TO A LENGTHY AND INCONCLUSIVE PERIOD OF GUERRILLA WAR.

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(C) WE RECOGNIZE THAT OUR PROPOSAL WILL NOT BE FULLY ACCEPTABLE TO ANY OF THE PARTIES BUT BELIEVE THAT SOME ADDITIONAL COMPROMISE IS NECESSARY FROM ALL PARTIES IN THE INTERESTS OF A PEACEFUL SOLUTION.

(D) SWAPO ACCEPTANCE, EVEN IF SOMEWHAT CONDITIONED, OF THE WESTERN PROPOSAL WOULD INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY OUR LEVERAGE ON SOUTH AFRICA TO ACCEPT AS WELL.

(E) WE URGE THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, IN THE INTERESTS OF THE PEACE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE EFFECTS WHICH A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IN NAMIBIA COULD HAVE ON THE RHODESIAN SITUATION, TO EXERT ITS STRONGEST INFLUENCE ON NUJOMA TO GET HIM TO AGREE TO ACCEPT THE WESTERN PEACE PROPOSAL.

3. IN COURSE OF PRESENTATION EMBASSY MAY PROVIDE GOI WITH COPY OF REVISED WESTERN SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL (REF C). EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO ATTEMPT TO ELICIT INFORMATION REGARDING NUJOMA'S ONWARD TRAVEL PLANS.

4. FOR USUN:

-- IN VI AMBASSADOR JAIPAL'S INFLUENCE AND ACTIVITY AT

UN AND LIKELIHOOD THAT HIS OPINION CARRIES SOME WEIGHT WITH
GOI, USUN SHOULD APPROACH JAIPAL ALONG SIMILAR LINES AND
REQUEST THAT HE RECOMMEND THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WEIGH IN
STRONGLY WITH NUJOMA ON BEHALF OF WESTERN PROPOSAL.

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